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Social and Personal

South African Supreme Court Justice Mr. J. H. Steyn yesterday called on President of the Israel Supreme Court Justice Simon Agranat.

The Minister of State Universities in Thailand, Dr. E. Blason, yesterday visited Bar-Ilan University and called on the Rector, Prof. Menahem Zvi Kaddari.

Sgan-Aluf Michael Almagor has been appointed officer responsible for Kiryat Arba, the Jewish suburb of Hebron, in place of Sgan-Aluf Zvi Mehar.

Rabbi Yosef Schechter has been appointed Director of the Eyal Brith Hillel Foundation at the Hebrew University, Jerusalem.

Harry V. Gelboin, Ph.D., Chief of Carcinogenesis, at the National Cancer Institute, Bethesda, Md., is to lecture on Pharmacological Aspects of Chemical Carcinogenesis at 12:00 o'clock today, September 10, 1973, in Hall "Gimel," Mezanine floor, the Hebrew University-Hadassah Medical School, Ein Kerem, Jerusalem.

BRENNER: to Miriam and Harold Brenner, of Ramat Eyal, on September 5, a daughter, Sharon, sister to Eyal, grand-daughter to Harriet and Sam Levin.

ARRIVALS

Gidon Ben-Yisrael, Chief Labour Relations officer, from an international conference of labour relations in London. Raymundo Cano Ferreira, Director of the Mexican air line, C.M.A., as the guest of El Al.

DEPARTURES

Director-General of the Interior Ministry, Eyal Kuberky, for Copenhagen, to attend an international planning congress. (By S.A.S.)

CAR KILLS MAN

RAMLE: A pedestrian, Shlomo Bakar, 53, of Rehovot, was killed here yesterday morning when he was struck by a car while crossing Rehov Herzl. The driver of the car has been held for questioning.

Fresh bid to end nurses' strike

By MACABEE DEAN
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — An attempt to end the 12-day strike of 350 operating theatre nurses was made last night by Labour Court Judge Nehemia Gutman.

The judge, who spoke to both sides in his chambers, said that he was willing to postpone — if only for a short while — handing down decisions in the case if he could be sure that both sides would sit down immediately and try to settle their differences.

The delegates of the nurses and of Kupat Holim thereupon began making efforts to arrange a meeting of representatives of the inter-ministerial committee of employers (which represents Kupat Holim, the government and the municipalities), the Histadrut and the Nurses' Union. It was difficult to locate many of the representatives, who were making Histadrut election speeches in various parts of the country. The attempts were continuing late last night.

Representatives of the striking nurses and of Kupat Holim had appeared in the Labour Court at 8 o'clock last night to hear Judge Gutman hand down his decision on a request by the nurses to cancel the "back-to-work" orders.

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The Israel Museum, Jerusalem

YOUTH WING CLASSES start Sunday, Sept. 30, and not as published.



LIBERAL LABOUR MOVEMENT
(Independent Liberals and Unaffiliated)

TOO BUSY STEALING TO SEE TO PASSENGERS'

Dan, Nili crew accused of widespread corruption

By YA'ACOV FRIEDLER
Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. A private investigator has charged that some crew members of Israel's two passenger liners, Dan and Nili, are so deeply engaged in large-scale pilfering of ships' supplies, illegal currency dealing, gambling and smuggling that they have only limited time to spare for the care of their passengers.

The Karol Singer Investigation Agency was commissioned by the Zim Company to probe conditions on the ships, and a number of the agency's men "worked" on the ships for several months. A confidential report, described as "interim," has now been issued.

The report alleges that large quantities of ships' supplies bought in Haifa are "lost" on the way to the ship through connivance between crew members, employees of the suppliers and drivers. Some of these goods are sold in Haifa, some abroad. Expensive products, like meat, often go to foreign buyers.

The investigators allegedly found bottles of whisky filled with water among drinks loaded in the port. Shortcomings in the procedure for weighing and counting supplies on board made the work of pilferers fairly easy.

"There is virtually no stock taking" at the end of each sailing, the report says. The detectives believe that hundreds of kilograms of expensive meat, officially served to the passengers, were stolen and sold by crew members.

The report noted five ways alleged to have been used by some of the men to smuggle goods into Haifa, and more than hints at connivance with officials in some cases to get the goods past the customs.

The investigators were also said to have found that the smugglers "exert pressure" on immigrants and tourists sailing on the ships to help them get contraband goods past the customs. Passengers who don't cooperate may often get bad service.

The investigators claim that a Mafia-type gang of crew members on the Dan organizes many of the illegal activities, such as the exchange of Israeli pounds into foreign currency at greatly inflated rates for Israeli passengers going abroad.

On the Nili, "only two men engage in this business," the report says. The report refers also to "almost nightly gambling, for extremely

Teargas used in T.A. protest

TEL AVIV. — The police used teargas last night to disperse demonstrators from the Givat Amal quarter who blocked traffic in the area during a demonstration against Solal Boney.

The residents had obtained a permit to demonstrate against the Histadrut building firm which, they claim, is causing a deterioration in their living conditions by its projects in their quarter.

About 300 demonstrators spilled into Haifa Road and Rehov Pinkas, and disrupted traffic, causing a queue of cars miles long.

When the residents refused to obey police orders to clear the roads, reinforcements were called. People were removed bodily and teargas was used. Several of the demonstrators were taken into custody, but were released later.

Televiewers stay with home station

No more than four-six per cent of all Israel viewers tune into outside telecasts when Israel Television goes off the air, according to the latest survey carried out by the Central Bureau of Statistics for the Broadcasting Authority.

According to the survey, a negligible percentage of viewers over the age of 14 watch programmes on foreign stations while the local station is still transmitting. The additional channel on Jordan TV has done little to change the picture, and at no time do more than six per cent of Israeli viewers watch outside telecasts.

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high stakes, up to tens of thousands of pounds" among some crew members.

The detectives sum up: "The mad rush for 'shopping' in foreign ports by some of the men; their anxious efforts to 'make arrangements' to get their contraband safely ashore, and their gambling, have caused nervous illnesses and ulcers." Morale is low and the service to passengers "very bad" because some of the men consider their wages only a minor part of their income.

Their illegal activities have caused great losses to the company, its good name and the Israel Treasury, say the investigators.

The company operates at a loss of over \$1m. a year, and this is covered by the State.

The Haifa Police spokesman told The Post that no complaints of illegal activities on board the ships

NRP Ministers to meet Allon today on Jerusalem school dispute

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Deputy Premier and Education Minister Yigal Allon surveyed the Ministry's achievements on the opening of the new school year at yesterday's Cabinet meeting, with the National Religious Party Ministers complaining of discrimination against religious education in Jerusalem.

Mr. Allon is due to confer informally this morning with the three N.R.P. Ministers, Yosef Burg, Zerah Warhaftig, and Michael Hazani, in a bid to sort out the tangles created by the religious parents' disagreement with the Jerusalem education authorities over school premises.

The Education Minister, who was assisted by his Director-General, Elad Peled, said the school network had 35,000 more pupils this year than last year. New developments included more facilities for pre-school age-groups, a long school day being experimentally tried in 40 schools, special classes for gifted pupils, and the planning of new curricula and text-books.

Golan Druse call for annexation

Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. Dozens of Druse notables in the Golan Heights have appealed to the Defence Minister and senior army officers with a request that Israel annex the Heights and grant the 10,000 residents Israeli citizenship. They say that the main reason for their request is that they cannot be loyal to two states which are hostile to each other.

The appeals, which were presented individually, were signed by sheikhs, religious leaders and heads of clans in the four Druse Golan villages.

In an appeal to the Chief of Staff, the heads of the clans pleaded that the Military Governor, Aluf Mishneh Shmuel Dotan, remain in his post. Some of them noted that he had succeeded to turn some anti-Israeli residents into eager supporters of Israel.

CUBA

(Continued from page 1)

Ministry and handed a note with the terms of the rupture and the reasons for it. Until this happens, Jerusalem cannot react officially to the rupture.

Cuba and Rumania were the only two Communist countries which did not break ties with Israel after the Six Day War.

Israelis who have met Fidel Castro say that he is ruled by emotional impulse and not by logic. The fact that Havana knew nothing about his decision in Algiers yesterday does not surprise anybody, since he has often taken state decisions impetuously and sought formal approval after the fact. Dr. Castro has also amended or reinterpreted some of these map decisions in the past.

Relations with Cuba have always been sound and in recent months there was no sign of deterioration. Castro was never anti-Jewish, and never anti-Israel. He permitted a Zionist movement to operate in Cuba and sought Israeli technical experts, mainly in agriculture and rural development. Over the years, he made a number of pro-Arab statements without lending them a tinge of violent hostility to Israel.

Experts in Latin American politics do not believe that any other Latin American states will follow Castro's lead. The only comparable leftist state, Chile, displays strong sympathy for Israel.

Castro's line in Algiers, as the spokesman of the Soviet Union, is thought to have alienated certain Arab states so much, that he may have decided to woo Arab opinion there by spearheading the political boycott of Israel, which the Arabs have been vainly demanding throughout the Non-Aligned Conference.

ANTONIO CASTALDI and OSTERIA DA ANTONIO wish

THE PAUL HENRY VIII

MAZAL TOV

and the BEST of LUCK

in HERLIYA PITUAH

One-third of all 10th grade pupils were now receiving free schooling, the Minister said. The number of vocational students was steadily increasing, and the number of pupils at teachers training colleges was 80 per cent higher this year than last year.

The three N.R.P. Ministers, who all spoke, praised the general achievements of the Ministry, but it was high time that the Jerusalem education authorities paid proper attention to the welfare of the religious children in Kiryat Shmuel and Katamon, and "stopped playing politics to spite the religious parents."

CREME DE LA CREME

Interior Minister Yosef Burg said that the religious parents who set up the best classes in the grounds of the Paula Ben-Gurion school in the Valley of the Cross represented some of Jerusalem's most active and productive intelligentsia. The Municipality was not showing these parents the concern which they merited, Dr. Burg said.

Patio homes Arnon to head Israel Bonds for slum evacuees

By SARAH HONIG
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — A "sociologically designed" housing project for some of the slum-dwelling families in Tel Aviv is to be built in the Neve Eliezer area.

The residents will come from the Kfar Shalem area, and the new houses will give the families more space than they had had before. The project will also provide social and cultural facilities.

Instead of blocks of multi-storied buildings which usually degenerate into high-rise slums within a few years, the municipal planners have opted for one-storey structures, containing from eight to twelve flats each.

The families to be housed in this project are especially large ones and most of them are of Oriental origin. Each flat will have a kitchen and four rooms as well as a large patio enclosed by a tall wall to provide privacy and add extra living space.

Sociologists, who helped the architects draw up the plans, point out that many of these families are used to such yards from their lands of origin and that these are likely to be a great boon for them.

The Municipal Halamish Slum Clearance Company will carry out the building, and it is hoped that construction of the first 34 housing units will start soon.

Of 2,200 families who were in Kfar Shalem, 500 have already been given new housing.

Neve Eliezer, which is adjacent to Kfar Shalem, already has 3,000 families, and a neighbourhood of 14,000 is planned.

60 MILLION Jews, mostly roses and gladioli, were exported by 41 settlements in the Negro and Lechish Region during the 1972-73 season.

EVENT OPENS IN CAPITAL TONIGHT

'Murder' at harp contest

By YOHANAN BOHEM
Jerusalem Post Music Editor

"It will be murder," exclaimed one of the young contestants in the International Harp Contest after listening behind a door to one of her rivals practising. This story was told to the press in Jerusalem yesterday to illustrate the high standard of the 29 musicians who have assembled in Jerusalem from

11 countries to vie for the first prize in the contest.

A grand concert harp by Lyon and Healy, Chicago — and eight money prizes.

Mr. A.Z. Frupes, who is directing the harp contest, introduced some of the judges, eminent personalities in the harp world.

Mrs. Maria Korchińska and Miss Catherine Gotthoff, the presidents of the British and American Harp Societies respectively, pointed to a remarkable renaissance in harp playing since the first International Harp Contest held in Israel in 1969.

This contest had led to "Harp Weeks" abroad, to national competitions and to the commissioning of original works for the instrument.

Mr. Proyes — in recognition of his efforts — has been made an honorary member of the American Harp Society.

The official opening of the contest takes place at the Jerusalem Theatre tonight, when the contestants and the 17 judges will be presented to the public. This will be followed by a recital by Chantal Mathien, the winner of the last contest, in 1970.

Mr. Allon said the question of some religious pupils in Jerusalem was the only hitch in the opening of the new school year. A special committee was already sitting to solve the problem of the Paula Ben-Gurion school before the end of September.

The Paula Ben-Gurion school would in any case not be ready for use for another two months, he said. He appealed to the parents involved to send their children to their assigned schools forthwith.

Mr. Allon also reported to the Cabinet that the heads of this country's universities should be invited to the Cabinet Committee on Wages to discuss salary arrangements which exceeded the existing wage contract for higher education institutions.

Mr. Allon warned that if the practice in some universities of making unauthorized payments (in form of salary or otherwise) were not stopped at once, there would be grave repercussions in the entire economy.



Michael Arnon

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Cabinet Secretary Michael Arnon has been appointed executive head of Israel Bonds — the State of Israel Bond Organization — as of next January 1.

Deputy Premier Yigal Allon announced at yesterday's weekly Cabinet session that Arnon, who was appointed on Saturday night by the Bond Organization leadership in the U.S., was the first Israeli in the post since it was established 22 years ago. Such appointments are approved by the Cabinet.

(Henry Montor was the first head of the Bonds; Dr. Joseph Schwartz, who died some months ago while serving in the post, was the third. All were American community figures.)

The Prime Minister, who did not attend the Cabinet yesterday, had said the week before that Arnon would be a candidate for the post.

It was reported the appointment last week as Mr. Arnon left for the U.S. on a Bonds speaking tour. Prior to his post with the Cabinet, Mr. Arnon was in the foreign service. His successor as Cabinet Secretary will be named by the new Cabinet, Acting Secretary Dr. Michael Nir told reporters in Jerusalem yesterday.

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One million eligible to vote in Histadrut election tomorrow

By SARAH SHAPIRO
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Most polling booths for the Histadrut elections will open at 7 o'clock tomorrow morning and close at 11 p.m. In a few places, opening time will be at 6 in villages the booths will close at 9 p.m.

A total of 1,159,852 persons are eligible to vote in the elections and have a choice of 13 lists. They will choose 1,501 delegates for the 12th national convention and the members of 82 local labour councils and 12 regional councils. There are 3,060 voting booths.

Voters must present their Histadrut membership cards at the polling booth. No other identification will be accepted.

Voters have been informed by card at what polling station they are registered. If they are unable to get there they can vote at one of the 187 "transfer" booths.

Except for this exception, which had been sanctioned in the Histadrut constitution, the Histadrut polling rules are as strict as those for the Knesset elections, and need almost as large an organization. Mr. Aharon Harel, head of the Organizational Department of the Histadrut, told the press yesterday.

The greatest number of eligible voters are in Haifa — 170,000 — who comprise 14.6 per cent of the total. Next comes Tel Aviv (144,000, or 12 per cent), Jerusalem (82,500, or 7 per cent), and Ramat Gan (60,700, or 5 per cent).

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Government and Histadrut firms

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6,300 eligible in East Jerusalem

Jerusalem Post Reporter

About 6,300 East Jerusalem residents are eligible to vote tomorrow's elections, almost twice as many as in 1969. There will be 15 polling stations in Jerusalem.

Six Arab candidates will be running for the Jerusalem Labour and the Histadrut convene the last elections a number announced their candidacy drew after terrorist threats.

Jewish settlements stem "outdated socialist theory" applied to the liberated area threaten the future of Jewish settlement in these areas.

SOCIAL WELFARE Minister Moshe Dayan, who has N.R.P.'s election campaign, day came out with a shar against the Government's provide housing for child meahav members in their communities. The intention is to live near their parents in tradition to the Government repeated policies on population, he said, and serves the young people into the away from the environment which they grew, and in of alienation.

PREMIER GOLDA Meir, Minister Moshe Dayan, Premier Yigal Allon, and Secretary-General Yitzhak Abaron appeared in the final Histadrut television broadcast last night.

The film was made at today's Alignment election rally at Beit Berl where, since Minister urged "to pioneering leadership so" proceed with its work."

Parking pat begin work Tel Aviv to

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — A woman of 16 housewives and 1 students goes into operation today with the sole writing police summonses legal parking in the city streets. It is hoped to ease traffic congestion by strict action against cars illegally.

The scheme has been in the Ministry of Transport spokesman said that the patrols would be increased later.

The patrolwomen will be to write more than one on an illegally parked car not been moved within hour.

To Ethel, Arnon and Ya We share your deep sorrow the tragic death of your beloved son and

YARON Your friend Simcha Neve

In deep sorrow, we announce the death, in Amsterdam of the head of our family, our beloved

Dr. WALTER L. KRONHEIM

Kate Kronheim Ingo and Mordecai G. Dr. Helga Kronheim and the grandchildren

September, 1973

We announce with sorrow the death of our colleague

SAADIA BEN YOSEF AKLUF

MANAGEMENT AND STAFF UNIVERSITY OF THE NEGEV: RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY, BEERSHEVA (Negev Institute for Arid Zone Res)

ISRAEL CAT LOVERS' SOCIETY deeply mourn the death of

Dr. PAUL LORENZ

Faithful friend to man and beast.

25,000 for next week's March



Dutch group which arrived at Lod Airport yesterday to take part in the Three-Day March. (Israel Sun)

Jerusalem Post Reporter
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19% fall in August exports

By AARON SITTNER
Jerusalem Post Reporter
August exports totalled \$108m., down from \$134m. in July, the Central Bureau of Statistics reported yesterday.

Although August is seasonally a weaker month than July for Israel exports, the 19 per cent drop was greater than expected, according to economic observers.

The latest figures come a few days after the Bureau's announcement that the country's trade deficit had grown by 71 per cent in the first seven months of this year, compared with the same period a year ago. In July alone, imports exceeded exports by \$152m.

Although cumulative export statistics for the first six and seven months of 1973 look impressive, some economic circles raise a note of caution. They point to the fact that the main contributor to the percentage gains has been diamond exports, which the Ministry of Commerce and Industry classifies as an industrial export.

Though diamonds are a commodity of lasting value, the demand for them fluctuates widely, as is the case with other "luxury" items. Moreover, the price of raw, unpolished diamonds imported by Israel limits the added value on this export to a fifth or a quarter of the price.

Industrial exports for the first half of this year — diamonds ex-

Hod to replace Firon as Aircraft Industries chief

Jerusalem Post Aviation Correspondent
LOD AIRPORT — The former O.C. Air Force, Aluf (res.) Mordechai Hod, is expected to replace the present chairman of the board of Israel Aircraft Industries, Mordechai Firon, before the end of the year.

It is understood that Mr. Firon has been under pressure to resign for quite some time in view of the Defence Ministry attitude that the IAI chairman should serve full time.

Mr. Firon, a lawyer, has been a part time chairman.

The Defence Ministry is keen to see Aluf Hod in the post as they feel he will be better qualified than others to evaluate and anticipate

the Ministry's specific requirements. Reports that the Managing Director of IAI, Mr. Al Schwimmer, would resign if Mr. Firon were to leave were denied by well-informed sources here yesterday. There have been persistent reports of differences between Mr. Schwimmer and Aluf Hod over some of IAI's development projects, specifically the Israeli Air Force's lack of support for the Arava aircraft.

Mr. Firon declined all comment yesterday. "I will say all I have to say to the board only," he said. Similarly no comment was available from Defence Ministry or Israeli Aviation Industries circles.

Bat Yam plumber wins IL161,000 on 'Toto'

Jerusalem Post Reporter
TEL AVIV. — A plumber from Bat Yam, Moshe Fishbein, father of four children, was last night informed that he had scooped IL161,000 on last Saturday's Sportoto football pool. He was the only one to mark all 13 results correctly.

Mr. Fishbein, 44, a concentration camp survivor, invested one pound in the two rows on the football pool coupon. He did not bother to check the results of the English League matches which were listed. "What do I know about English football?" he asked the Sportoto official who brought him the news of his win.

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Rehovot delegates argue over the worth of planning

By PHILIP GILLON
Jerusalem Post Reporter

REHOVOT. — Planners propose, but politicians dispute. This was one of the themes that ran through several of the discussions yesterday at the Rehovot Conference on Economic Growth in Developing Countries. The delegates divided into three workshops yesterday.

Dr. Koichi Mera, senior economist of the International Development Centre of Japan, surprised his audience by suggesting that most plans do more harm than good: by setting up forecasts, they tended to direct the future stream of consumption and production.

However, as targets were not over-ambitious, the plans tended to inhibit growth rather than stimulate it.

Dr. Mera praised Israel as a country which had never done anything with its economic plans but still them away in pigeonholes. "Those places which have shown remarkable growth in the past, such as Japan, Singapore and Hongkong, are among the very ones which do not produce official five-year plans," Dr. Mera said. "Korea is a notable exception. It has achieved a high rate of growth in spite of Five Year Plans."

Dr. John Adler, Director of Programming and Budgeting for the World Bank, was rather less critical of planners, although his praise was somewhat faint: he said rather dubiously that planning was useful, especially because of its public relations effects on politicians and public.

The planners functioned as a fire brigade for the politicians over a short term, but plans should interfere as little as possible with the development of the economy and the freedom of the individual. Furthermore, the preparation of a plan should not be used as an excuse for inaction, as in certain South American countries.

Lieut.-Col. J. Eshkol, Special Assistant to the Head of State and Commissioner for Finance and Economic Planning, Ghana, said heatedly that, without adequate planning, he



Dr. Koichi Mera, from Japan, left, the Singapore Minister of Culture, Jek Yean Theng, and Dr. D. Genichevsky, of the Bank of Israel, at the Rehovot Conference yesterday. Dr. Mera caused a stir by his strong criticism of planning.

could not deal with his central problem, foreign exchange. What was he to tell his producers? How was he to allocate the foreign exchange available?

The same view was taken by Mr. Alfredo Benjamin Noyola, Executive Secretary of the National Planning Council, El Salvador, and Dr. Alejandro Suela, Deputy Director-General of Cordillera, Venezuela: they maintained that it was the obligation of the State to issue directives.

Dr. Vuh Estrella, Minister of Development, Dominican Republic,

Cut-price '73 cars

The price of 1973 model cars at local dealers is expected to drop following a special 10 per cent cut in customs.

A spokesman for the State Revenue Administration announced yesterday the tax cut was granted in response to a special request from importers, who reported relatively large stocks of unsold vehicles.

The decrease in the import tariff ranges between IL900 and IL2,000, per car, depending on the value, and it was granted on condition that the dealers pass the saving on to their customers.

Canners may get half-price sardines

Jerusalem Post Reporter
HAIFA. — The Fishermen's Union is to start immediate negotiations with the canning industry on its offer to buy surplus sardine catches at half price. During the past month, the men have had to destroy 100 tons of fish, out of a total of 400 caught, because the canners would not take more than the 40 tons a day specified in the contract between them.

Union secretary Dov Schmiede told The Jerusalem Post that the men refused at first to consider the offer, but as the glut is continuing, and the Ministry of Commerce and Industry has not been helpful, the men had now empowered him to explore the offer.

This is the first year that the quantity of fish accepted by the canneries has been limited by the contract. The Ministry took the view, during the lengthy negotiations for the contract, that sardines could be more cheaply imported from Portugal. However, since the recent worldwide price rises, "this is now doubtful," the Union believes.

The Union has meanwhile fixed quotas for the fishermen, to prevent surpluses, and has also supplied small quantities of fish to zoos and mink raisers. Because of the shortage of cold storage, space, they have found it impossible to store sardines for off-season sale to the canneries.

The increase would be retroactive to September 1.

Jailed for car theft in Sinai escapade

TEL AVIV. — A 17-year-old youth was sentenced by the Magistrate's Court here yesterday to five years in prison for stealing a car and driving it without a licence, in a case apparently connected to last month's abduction adventure by four other young persons in Sinai.

The prisoner, a resident of Neve Shalom, was with a larger group which stole two cars and exchanged their registration plates, according to the police. One of the cars was driven by three soldiers and an American girl, who were arrested near Santa Katerina later on suspicion of theft. They escaped from their provisional lock-up — a store-room containing weapons — and took two hostages with them.

The second car was driven by the accused, who was in the area at the time, but was not caught.

Higher allowance for the first two

Jerusalem Post Reporter
The Knesset Labour Committee voted on Friday to increase workers' family allowances by a half. Such a move would bring the monthly National Insurance Institute payments for the first two children up to IL30 each, from the present IL20.

The increase would be retroactive to September 1.

Goren to visit Vienna camp

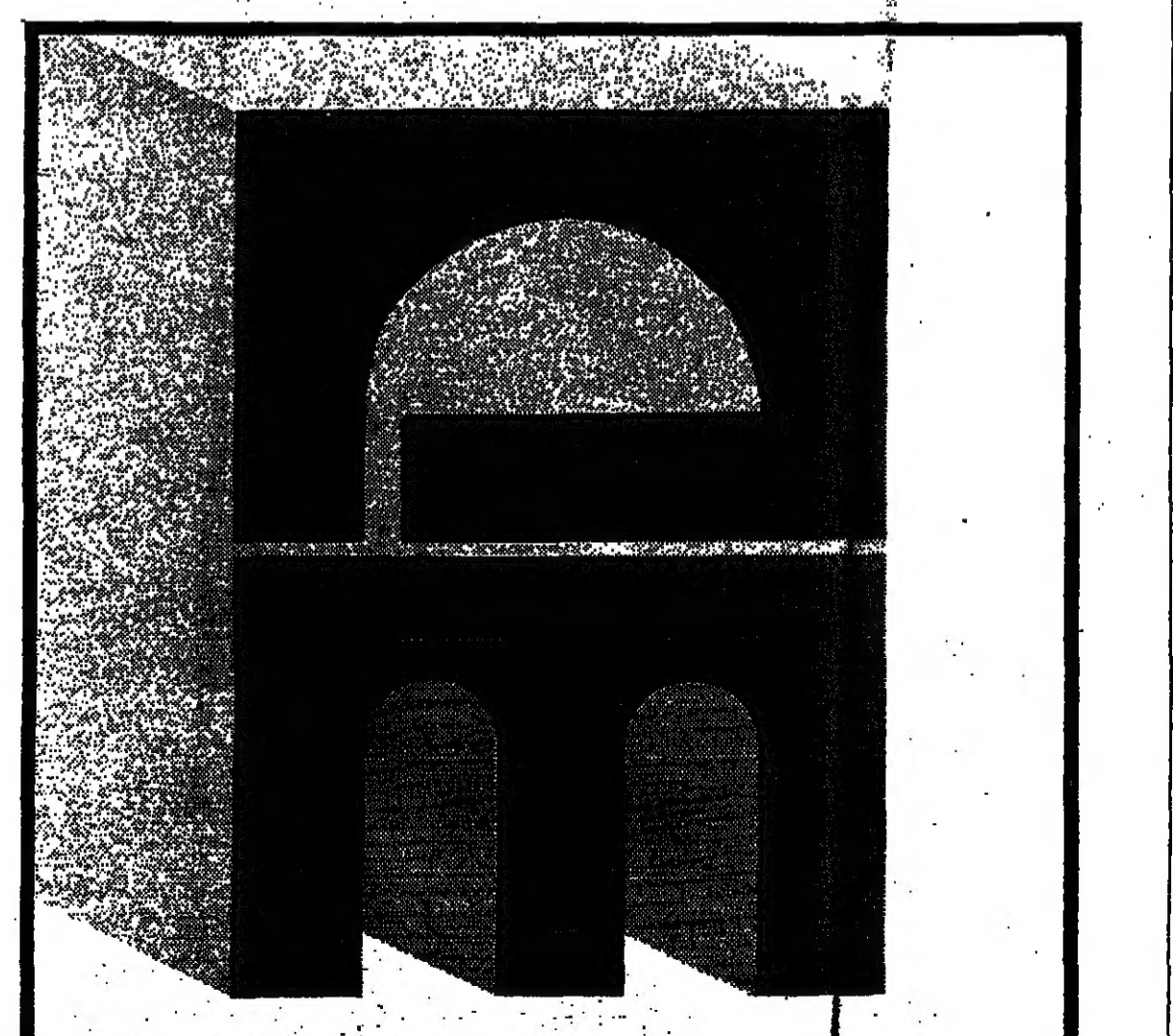
Chief Rabbi Shlomo Goren is leaving this week to visit the Schoenau transit camp for immigrants near Vienna. He intends to study at first-hand the problems of "mixed" couples among Russian immigrants at the camp. (Ith)

THE 500 ALAWI Moslem residents of Ghajar village on the Golan Heights have been placed under the jurisdiction of the Shari'at kadi of Haifa, with respect to matters of personal status.

ISRAEL LAST IN WATER-POLO

BELGRADE (Reuters). — Israel ended the World Water-Polo Championships here yesterday in sixteenth and last place. The Israel squad went down 2:3 and 1:12 to Bulgaria and Australia in its last two matches.

Hungary now leads the competition ahead of the Soviet Union — the Olympic champions — and Yugoslavia.



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POPULATION CONTROL

Professor Mihai Bergman, of the Centre for Population Studies, Harvard University, said that to get the full cooperation of the people it was necessary to redefine fertility control programmes so as to include all kinds of criteria in each community. He cited the example of China, where each community has a council to decide which women should bear children in the coming year and which should not.

He gave an instance when something went wrong with the implementation of the plan — a woman became pregnant who was not supposed to. A young patriot, chosen to deliver that year, nobly volunteered to skip her right so that the village quota would not be endangered.

The offering of financial incentives to people not to have children was urged by Professor Stephen Enke, Consulting Economist, Defence Programs, General Electric Corporation. The most promising incentives would be to pay women of fecund age not to get pregnant — it would pay a country with \$250 per capita income to give a woman \$50 a year to refrain from fertility.

Dr. Hans Broder Krohn, Director-General for Development and Co-operation of the E.E.C. pointed out that the Community's nine member states absorb some 40 per cent of the developing countries' exports, supply 40 per cent of official and private sources of income; have sent 70,000 experts and teachers to these lands; and have trained 57,000 students. Thus the E.E.C. contribution is as great as that of the U.S. On the other hand, the Community was dependent on developing countries for oil, agricultural and industrial raw materials.

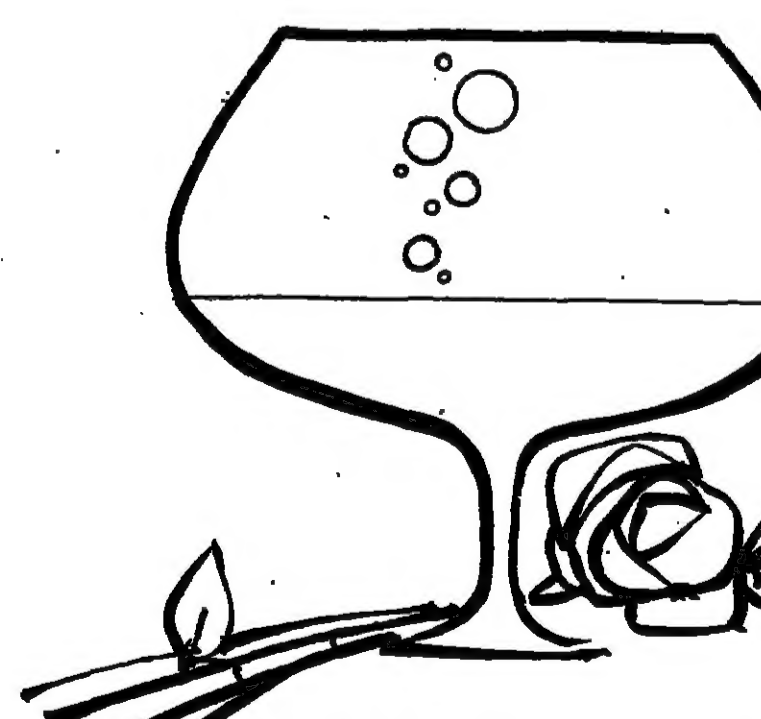
Dr. Krohn said that there was now a greater awareness of the Community's responsibilities to the developing countries, and the policy of cooperation was expected to become more strongly emphasized in new agreements now that the E.E.C. had expanded.

The conference resumes today. Foreign Minister Abba Eban gave a dinner on Saturday night for some of the delegates attending the conference.

Workers to train in West Germany

Jerusalem Post Reporter
A group of 40 workers will leave for Germany this month for advanced technological training, the Labour Ministry has announced.

The workers, engaged in the metal, woodworking, food and printing industries, will spend time in counterpart firms in Germany, in a scheme financed by the West German Government in cooperation with the Peretz Naftali and Friedrich Ebert funds.



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Nixon prods Congress to pass major bills

WASHINGTON. — President Nixon depends on America's strength," he said. "It depends absolutely on our never falling into the position of being the second strongest power in the world."

Nixon presented his case in a taped 10-minute nationwide radio broadcast, previewing a bulky second address he will send to the Democratic-controlled Congress today, urging action on 50 Administration measures.

In his speech, Nixon dealt at length first with the effort to achieve "full prosperity, without inflation and without war."

While claiming "substantial progress" in achieving that goal, Nixon said rising prices pose a major challenge.

"We still face the prospect of strong inflationary pressures as a result of overspending by the Federal Government," he said.

By implication, the President again asked the nation to turn away from the Watergate scandal.

He said that to achieve Administration goals "also means holding the spotlight of public attention and public debate on those issues that directly and personally affect you and your lives." (AP, UPI)

Jordan newsmen 'told to stop insulting Israel'

BEIRUT (AFP). — Jordan's Information Minister, Marwan Daoud, has appealed to Jordanian newsmen "to avoid impolite references to Israel," the Palestine News Agency reported here yesterday.

According to the report, the Minister sent a circular to all newsmen in Jordan asking them to avoid such phrases as "the Zionist enemy" and to call the Jewish State simply "Israel." He also asked them to refrain from describing Israeli actions in the administered territories as "barbaric," "vicious," or "Nazist."

WHO wants probe of conditions in areas

DAMASCUS (Reuters). — A regional health conference has decided to make health services available to Israeli administered Arab territory, and to form an international committee to investigate the health conditions of the Arab population.

This was announced by a spokesman of the regional conference of the World Health Organization (WHO), which began on Saturday at the summer resort of Bloudan, about 50 kms. from Damascus.

He also stressed the need for promoting health cooperation between the countries of the region and decentralized WHO services.

Laird warns of Russian arms gains

WASHINGTON (UPI). — White House adviser Melvin Laird said yesterday the Soviet Union was using the current thaw in relations with the U.S. to gain an advantage in weapons.

The former Secretary of Defense — still a member of the National Security Council — said he did not believe that "an apparent easing of relations with the Soviet Union means there has been a fundamental change in their objectives."

In an interview in "U.S. News and World Report," Laird said the Russians are "in a position" to use arms-control acts "to their advantage."

"They feel they've lulled Western Europe and the U.S. into a feeling that the Russians really aren't doing much in the national security field. The fact is they are progressing all the time. The Soviet weapons momentum continues," he said.

According to Laird, "the Soviet Union is pressing forward with the fastest growing military establishment and research and development programme of any nation in the world today."



The bomb-damaged booking office in London's Victoria Station, which was evacuated only three minutes before the blast went off. (AP radiophoto)

Police raid London homes in hunt for terrorists

LONDON. — Armed police day raided houses in the area in their hunt for the b who planted a bomb in Victoria station on Saturday, five people, none seriously.

Other raids were carried the northern city of Mer where detectives searched after a bomb exploded in three downtown stores. A fire-bomb was found and harmless. No one was injured.

Police spokesmen in bot said no arrests had yet been made and nothing incriminating was in the raids.

In the past three weeks than 40 satchel bombs, letters and incendiary devices have been discovered in London, Birmingham and British embassies in P. Washington. Several have wounded more than 10 persons.

A police spokesman said t bombs were preceded by a t ed warning from an unidentified with a strong Irish accent. E is no evidence that the bomb the work of the extremists alone IRA.

Police said they received minute warning on the Lond enabling them to evacuate all of the estimated 1,000 t and workers in Victoria St fore the bomb went off, al shop windows and scatterin (UPI)

German nurse describes hardships

Four years as Vietcong captive

NEW YORK (AP). — Six months after her release, Monica Schwinn, a German nurse held captive by the Vietcong for four years, is still trying to readjust to normal life. The only Western woman to have survived such a period of imprisonment by the Vietnamese Communist forces, she told of her experiences here Saturday night.

She and four colleagues were captured Sunday morning April 27, 1969, on the way to a nearby village.

"We were going there to take pictures because I was going to leave in a month, when an old farmer found us and asked us to go with him to help a sick person." She said that since the Maltese Aid Service — for which they worked — granted medical attention to anyone who sought it, they went with the man.

"When we reached a large rice paddy, he began to call and shout," she recalled, "and immediately we were surrounded by guerrillas, and taken captive, even though we were wearing our hospital clothes."

They were kept in a prison camp in South Vietnam, mostly made up of small huts. There three of her colleagues, two of them women, died of starvation within three months. Another man, Bernhard Diehl, 26, of Worms, Germany, lived. "I was unconscious from starvation for seven weeks, I don't know how I survived," Miss Schwinn said.

BEATEN TWICE After a year in the South, Miss Schwinn and Diehl were taken on foot to a North Vietnamese prison camp. The march took 62 days.

"And a North Vietnamese officer beat me twice until I was unconscious during the march... because I was a woman."

"The worst time was when we were in a hospital hut off the Ho Chi Minh Trail. I had collapsed from the walking, and the officer threw a bamboo broom at me and told me to sweep the hut. I think I made him lose face in front of the two other Vietnamese taking us North, because I said no. 'I was angry about his action and I told him he shouldn't play the big shot, in German. So he came up to me and put a revolver to my head, but I did not show fear, so he just beat me up all over my body, wherever he could reach."

In the North, she said the most difficult time was having nothing to do as she lay on a wooden bench alone in a hut for three years, "and being told that I had committed crimes against the Vietnamese people."

"I was happy of course, when I was released on March 5, but I was a little worried about whether I could continue where I had left off," Miss Schwinn said through an interpreter at New York's La Guardia airport Saturday night.

Miss Schwinn, who has auburn hair and is 162 cm., said she lost about 25 kilograms in the first three months of captivity. After several months at home — and travelling on a recuperative visit to the U.S. — she had gained weight, and had a suntan, but there were still rings under her eyes, and a slightly detached manner about her.

Zambia to free Alice 'the witch'

LUSAKA, Zambia (AP). — court judge here has ordered release of Alice Lenshina, leader of the outlawed Luo and leader of a bloody r Justice Cullinan ruled continued detention was "u Lenshina, known at the "the witch," was detained for starting a holy war the government in which 700 people died.

In 1971, the self-styled escaped from a detention (sed to Zaire with thousands followers. She was later r and most of her fellow resettled at Mkombo Zambia-Zaire border.

Non-aligned declaration denounces colonialism, imperialism and Zionism

ALGIERS (Reuters). — A political declaration approved by the non-aligned leaders here welcomes the growing world debate but warns that "peace is far from assured," calls for immediate, unconditional, Israeli withdrawal from occupied Arab territories, and a speed-up in the "liberation process" in Africa.

The text, agreed on by a drafting commission of foreign ministers Saturday night after days of discussion, also calls for the withdrawal of foreign troops from the whole of Indochina, general and complete disarmament, destruction of atomic weapons and an end to all nuclear tests, an end to apartheid and colonialism and to all form of foreign domination and exploitation.

The document declares that detente is a "positive step toward the establishment of peace."

But, it says, "while progress has been made towards East-West detente, the fact that peoples are confronted with colonialism, foreign domination and occupation, neo-colonialism, imperialism and Zionism remain an undeniable reality of our age."

"Peace is far from being assured as witness the situation prevailing in Indochina — despite the Paris agreement — and bombings in Cambodia, in the Middle East where the situation continues to deteriorate; in

Africa where there is a renewed outbreak of colonial wars; and in Latin America where there is an increase in imperialist plots against the sovereignty and security of states."

The declaration goes on to condemn colonialism, apartheid and the gap between rich and poor countries.

"As long as colonialist wars, apartheid, power politics and economic exploitation and plunder prevail, all efforts made to ensure peace will prove limited in principle and scope," it says.

"In a world already divided between rich and poor countries it would be dangerous to increase such division by restricting peace to the prosperous areas of the world while the rest of mankind remained condemned to insecurity and domination by the most powerful."

"Peace is indivisible. It should not be reduced to a mere shifting of confrontation from one area to another, nor should it condone the continued existence of tension in some areas while endeavouring to eliminate it elsewhere."

On the Middle East, the conference calls for immediate unconditional Israeli withdrawal from occupied Arab territories and pledges itself to assist Egypt, Syria and Jordan in liberating these territories by every available means.

"The restoration of Palestinian rights in this connection is a basic prerequisite for an equitable, lasting, solution."

The declaration calls on all states, particularly the U.S., to refrain from providing Israel with arms or any political, economic or financial support "which may enable it to continue aggression and expansion."

"Israel's persistent attitude of defiance of international feelings could lead the non-aligned countries to take individual or collective action against it," it says.

The declaration calls for the withdrawal of foreign troops from the whole of Indochina, and respect for the free exercise of the right of the Indochinese people to self-determination.

This, it says, is a prerequisite for the establishment of real peace in the area.

Member countries are invited to give diplomatic recognition to the Vietnamese Provisional Revolutionary Government in South Vietnam.

There is a call for an action programme to speed up "the liberation process" in Africa, an appeal for more aid for liberation movements and a condemnation of "colonial strongholds in Africa."

Another passage speaks of the need to end colonial domination in the Indian Ocean and Latin America, adding that the conference "denounces the use of these colonial territories as bases for aggression against the peoples of the Third World."

In the declaration, the non-aligned conference supports "countries struggling for the removal of military bases established on their soil under unequal treaties and maintained against the wishes of their

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Sunday Times' reports mass poisoning in Iraq

NDON. — Tens of thousands were killed or maimed in Iraq in the biggest mass poisoning campaign in history, the "Sunday Times" said here yesterday.

The newspaper claimed that the Iraqi government hushed up the catastrophe two years ago in which victims ate grain intended for export and treated with a mercury compound. It said the Iraqi government took an epidemic proportion of Iraqi wheat and U.S. grain landed in Basra, Iraq's main port.

Both grains had been treated with mercury fungicide to prevent seed from rotting and then dyed with a bright pink dye to mark it.

Hughes, a former Beirut chief bureau for "Time-Life," returned to Iraq quoting authorities there as admitting 6,500 hospital cases of poisoning and 450 hospital deaths. The investigation and the private estimate of experts on the scene suggests that as many as 6,000 have died and perhaps 100,000 are injured, he said.

Although warnings not to eat the grain were clearly marked in Spanish on wheat bags and in English on the barley, there were no such warnings in Arabic. He said that the Iraqi government had issued strict warnings to the public not to use the grain for human consumption, but it was stolen during unloading and transportation.

Some of those who ate the grain died and others were crippled, blinded or made deaf by brain damage, he said.

In Texaco, Mexico, Dr. Haldore Hanson, Director of the Wheat and Maize International Improvement Centre, operated by the Rockefeller Foundation, confirmed the incident on Saturday. He said the Iraqi situation is not new and added that in the past few years similar reports have come in from Pakistan, India and various Near East nations which use the Mexpack variety of wheat developed there.

"We need the fungicide to keep the wheat from rotting away," he said. "The countries which get the product should give out more warning, not just on the bags or sacks, but in the press, radio and television."

The "Sunday Times" article indicated that the Iraqi government dropped 500,000 leaflets warning that the seed should only be used for planting and made each peasant receiving a consignment sign a form stating he knew of its poisonous qualities. Despite this, Hughes said, the wheat was widely used for consumption with tragic consequences that are even evident today from the number of people in the countryside still showing the long-term signs of mercury poisoning. (AP, UPI)



Naples fishermen defiantly eating raw mussels on Saturday, after authorities destroyed mussel beds — the shellfish are a major vehicle of cholera infection. (AP radiophoto)

Neapolitans defy ban on cholera-infected mussels

ROME. — Two more people have died from cholera in Naples, where people are reported to be defying a Government ban on eating mussels.

The most recent victims, a 65-year-old man and a 68-year-old woman, who both died on Saturday, brought the death toll in Italy's cholera epidemic to 23.

Authorities in Naples said people were still eating mussels and other shellfish, despite a nationwide ban on their sale and consumption.

They urged the people to obey the order. Cholera-infected mussels have been blamed for the epidemic, which first broke out in Naples.

A group of Neapolitan fishermen, angered at the ban which has taken away their livelihood, allowed themselves to be photographed eating raw mussels.

Naples health authorities have appealed for those who have not yet been vaccinated to come forward to receive anti-cholera serum. The Cotugno Hospital in Naples is caring for 101 cholera cases. But in the past 24 hours, only one patient has been confirmed as suffering from the disease.

In Bari on the Adriatic, where the disease spread from Naples, there are 28 confirmed cholera cases.

Italian Health Minister Luigi Gui said the worst was over and the situation was under control, but there would probably be a few more isolated cases. Pescara on the Adriatic, Bologna in central Italy and Taranto in the south each reported one confirmed cholera case on Saturday.

In an effort to help fight the disease, a Jerusalem pharmaceutical firm yesterday sent 700,000 doses of anti-cholera vaccine to Italy. The firm, Rata Laboratories, stepped up its production of the vaccine to meet the demand. In 1970 the firm exported some 3,000,000 doses of the vaccine, mainly to Nigeria, Kenya, Uganda and Turkey. (UPI, Reuters)

Jalloud says oil crisis is imperialist deception

LIBY (UPI). — Libyan Premier Muammar Jalloud said yesterday an "imperialist deception" policy aimed at justifying future intervention to take over the riches of Arab oil.

In statements published by Cairo's "al-Nasser" news magazine, Jalloud reported that new and important oil discoveries were made in Libya recently "which make nonsense of claims that Libyan oil reserves will be finished in 15 years."

Jalloud also said Libya will try to win a resolution from the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries (Opec) replacing the dollar as "guaranteed currency" in oil payments.

Nine days ago, the Libyan Government nationalized 51 per cent of all foreign oil companies operating in Libya. The companies said they will fight the Libyan action and the U.S. State Department voiced its regret at the Libyan measures.

INTERVENTION CHARGED

"The American Government's defense of oil companies is intervention in our domestic affairs," Jalloud said. "We are dealing with American companies, and not the American Government."

Jalloud said nationalization was in the interest of oil consumers "because it places oil resources in the hands of governments that have commitments to humanity, and not in the hands of companies that only seek to make profits."

"I think that talk of a world energy crisis is imperialist deception and a crisis engineered by the U.S.," he said. "I think the world has enough oil and other sources of energy."

"This propaganda could be aimed at eliciting the support of world public opinion for armed American intervention, or intervention by hirelings, to take the sources of Arab oil," he said.

"We hear that the U.S. is training special forces for combat in the Libyan desert," he said.

Jalloud said he is "revealing an important secret for the first time which is that highly rich oil-fields have been discovered recently which makes nonsense of reports that Libyan oil reserves will be finished in 15 years."

"We welcome anybody who is ready to help us in prospecting," he said.

Aaron hits 709th homer: five to go

ATLANTA (AP). — Hank Aaron filled within five home runs of pulling Babe Ruth's record 714 on Saturday night, when he cracked a 709th career homer.

The 39-year-old Atlanta Braves slugger connected in the seventh inning of the game against the Cincinnati Reds. The shot came against left-hander Billingsham on a 1-1 pitch.

Aaron now has hit 36 home runs this season. He hit his 34th and 35th home runs of the season on Monday night, driving in three runs in Atlanta's 7-3 victory over San Diego.

Homer No. 709 gave Aaron the record for the most homers hit in one league. Babe Ruth hit 708 as a American League player, first for the Boston Red Sox and then the New York Yankees. Ruth's final home run was hit when he closed at his fabulous career for the National League Braves, when the franchise was in Boston.

Aaron must hit 42 home runs this season to break Ruth's record, once considered an insurmountable total. He has 19 more games left on the 1973 schedule.

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Soviets attack foreign supporters of Sakharov as enemies of detente

MOSCOW. — Tass news agency said yesterday that statements in Austria and Sweden were among foreigners "trying to distort the actual state of affairs" about the current Soviet campaign against nuclear physicist Andrei Sakharov.

Sakharov, a developer of the Soviet hydrogen bomb and a civil rights activist, has been under attack for critical comments about the Soviet system he made in an August 21 interview with Western correspondents. He repeated the criticism at a news conference on Saturday and also charged that Soviet psychiatrists were using mind-altering drugs on healthy dissidents held in mental asylums.

"A Sakharov's vituperations against the Soviet Union's active foreign policy (which are) directed at improving the international climate, have been wrongly rebuffed by the broadest segments of the Soviet public," Tass said.

Tass condemned the scientist's behaviour as "direct assistance to reactionaries, enemies of peace, and exponents of the Cold War."

"It is not surprising when zeal is displayed by people who openly and constantly oppose detente. But it is strange when they are joined by some statesmen in Sweden or Austria who, moreover, try to link their statements on this subject with the European Security Conference."

Tass was referring to comments made recently by Austrian Chancellor Bruno Kreisky and Swedish Foreign Minister Krister Wikman, in which they said the Soviet campaign against Sakharov would not help detente in the world.

At his news conference on Saturday, Sakharov repeated a warning against "an illusory detente that is not accompanied by an increase in trust and democratization."

Soviet Jewish scientists support dissidents

MOSCOW (Reuters). — A group of 10 Soviet Jewish scientists warned yesterday that the current official campaign here against writer Alexander Solzhenitsyn and physicist Andrei Sakharov was preparing the ground for police action against them.

The warning came in a statement issued by the 10 Jews, including Dr. Sakharov's fellow member of the prestigious Soviet Academy of Sciences, Benjamin Levich. The letter described the writer and the physicist as people "any great country would be proud of."

All the signatories to the letter have applied for visas to leave the U.S.S.R. for Israel and all have so far been refused. But they said this did not mean they could "remain indifferent to Russia, its people and culture."

"If any enemy appeared who wanted to destroy everything beautiful in this country, he would begin with Solzhenitsyn and Sakharov," the statement, made available to foreign correspondents in Moscow, said.

"Any great country would be proud of these people, and only Russia carries on its old traditions of devouring its best sons," the statement declared.

The Soviet campaign "has as its aim the intimidation of all free thinkers, and the preparation of public opinion for future repression."

"If repression break over the heads of Sakharov and Solzhenitsyn, then the U.S.S.R. will return to the darkest years of its history, and the phantom of a St. Bartholomew's Night will hang over all of us," the statement added.

During the St. Bartholomew massacre in France in the 16th Century, thousands of Protestant Huguenots were killed because of their religious beliefs.

The statement also declared that writers and scientists who had joined the campaign against the two dissident figures "have excluded themselves for all time from the ranks of the intelligentsia."

Dr. Mark Azbel and Dr. Alexander Lunts were among the signers of the letter.

Swiss probe reports Peron wants to sell \$650 m. in gold

LONDON (Reuters). — Swiss police are investigating reports that some \$650 m. worth of gold bullion, said to belong to former Argentine dictator Juan Peron, has been offered for sale, the "Sunday Telegraph" reported yesterday.

The London newspaper said rumours have been circulating in Switzerland that 400 tons of gold were available for sale. Reports within banking circles there said it belonged to General Peron, who wanted cash for his planned return to power in Argentina.

The newspaper said mysterious and clandestine negotiations have continued for months.

Though bullion dealers accept that such an amount of gold could be for sale, it is also feared it might be an attempt by someone to upset the international gold market, it continued. It was for this reason that police were investigating the reports.

Sale of such a huge amount of gold, equivalent to almost half the annual output from South Africa, is likely to drive the price of gold down from its level of about \$110 an ounce.

The "Sunday Telegraph" said one of the men involved in the negotiations was Fred S. Karaman, a Lebanese-born American and chairman of a Manhattan-based firm called Karavest International Limited.

It quoted Mr. Karaman as saying he represented two governments. But he said he could not reveal whom the gold belongs to nor identify his principals any further.

Another man formerly involved in the deal, the newspaper said, was British playboy Peter Fellow, 31, brother and heir of the Viscount Broxmouth.

Princess' fall fractured bone

KIEV (UPI). — Princess Anne suffered a broken right collarbone when she fell Saturday, a police spokesman said yesterday. She was riding in the cross-country test at the European Equestrian Championships.

The British Embassy doctor in Moscow confirmed that the suspected chipped bone was in fact a fracture.

Anne, 23, arrived at the riding grounds yesterday with her right arm in a gold-coloured sling.

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Forgotten' life-savers on German T

By LILI BAT AHABON

Special to The Jerusalem Post

Germans who saved Jews at the risk of their own lives during the Nazi era — was the subject of a straight-from-the-shoulder 45 minute television documentary shown last month on the ZDF — the Zweites Deutsches Fernsehen, one of the three German TV stations. The transmission was seen in Germany, Belgium and Holland.

The programme bore as title the quotation from the Talmud, "Whoever saves one life..." Reporter Dieter Schmieding, a man in his early 30s, conceived and wrote the documentary in which he interviewed some dozen men and women. The interviews were dramatically interspersed with official shots of the 1940s — of bearded Jews taunted by laughing officers, of the Nuremberg decrees and of other state prohibitions against the Jews.

Among those interviewed were a Berlin ex-policeman, a restaurant owner in the north of the country, a blind notewoman, a Jewish actress in Hamburg, a Swiss border police captain and the German Minister of Interior.

Albert Jurgens, the Berlin ex-policeman, told TV audiences how he had given shelter in his home to a Jewish couple ("I had met the man at the railway station, and we got talking"). He procured false papers for them, and, writing out a leave pass for himself, travelled with the couple, named Marcus and now living in New York, to the Swiss border where he smuggled them across, Jurgens, who thus lost

his job and never got it back, recounted his tale with utter simplicity.

Another impressive figure was octogenarian Bruno Motzko who had hidden Jewish families in his home in Essen. "Motzko received recognition from the Israel Government — from Yad Vashem" (and here followed a brief word-and-picture definition of Yad Vashem), so ran the comment, "but what has he received for his heroic action from his own government?" When Motzko showed he had spent DM85,000 for the necessary falsified documents, the official answer to him was: "You did this voluntarily." Motzko, who fought all these years for official recognition from the German government, died shortly after this TV interview. He was a "righteous gentile," one of the 65 Germans among the 900 righteous gentiles so far honoured by Yad Vashem.

Lost job

Thirty-two years after the event, the Swiss government reinstated Paul Gruninger, the Swiss border police captain who guided hundreds of harassed Jewish refugees into Swiss safety — and lost his job for doing so. Gruninger was seen on the TV screen, walking along the Swiss-German border — this time with the aid of a walking-stick, telling about the days of danger. For his 80th birthday the Swiss government, having apologized, offered him a choice of a trip to Israel or a colour TV set. Before he could look at either, Paul Gruninger closed his eyes forever.

Probably the most dramatic portrait was that of Franz Fritsch, a man who did a great deal and talked little. Hermann Adler, the Jewish writer now residing in Switzerland, his wife and a friend from Israel named Oesterweiller were shown having a drink with Fritsch who had saved their lives in Tarnow. It was they who told the tale while Fritsch just listened passively.

Franz Fritsch, a German, had been sent to Tarnow in Poland to set up a workshop for tailored uniforms. As shop director, he asked for Jewish workers and thus saved many from concentration camp and certain death. In addition, he acted on his own vis-a-vis the German authorities. "Do you recall" Oesterweiller reminisced, "how you went to the Gestapo in Tarnow and asked for a list of people to be taken out of the transport? They gave you 50 names. You made it a list of 250 names — and made it look official."

"How many people did you save in this direct way?" author Adler said. "I didn't count the people," came the laconic reply, the only words spoken by Fritsch.

Today owner of a restaurant in a small north German town, Fritsch barely makes a living. Among flashbacks of photos of the early forties, reporter Schmieding commented wryly that because of his past record of having saved Jews, Fritsch's business suffers — he is resented by his townsmen.

Helen Jacobs of Berlin, a quiet-spoken, thoughtful woman, answered the question, "Why did you do it?" with the reply: "To defend

democracy and to fight against discrimination — of which the Jews were the greatest victims." She had hidden Jews in her home and sent packages to people in concentration camps — with her return address on them. She had provided those hidden by her with food, clothes and needed documents.

"When I hid a graphic artist in my apartment — he is now in Switzerland — we made up a signal for danger. I had counted on being arrested in the street at any given moment. So we arranged that if the Gestapo came with me to the house, I would fumble with the door-key and let it fall on the empty milk bottle which we always left outside the door. That would give him, my 'lodger', enough time to go out on the balcony and use the rope we kept for the purpose, to get over to the neighbour's apartment where he would stay until the Gestapo had left."

800 Berliners

"We did not need this," Mrs. Jacobs continued, in her even, unemotional voice. "When I was arrested, the Gestapo did not go to my house."

Mrs. Jacobs is one of 800 Berliners whose deeds in wartime are recognized by the government of West Berlin. "But I do not avail myself of this recognition, which is expressed in money terms. You see, you have to prove you are needy; you have to prove it anew each year."

A partner of Mrs. Jacobs in her humanitarian work was Eita von Oertzen. Born more than 80 years ago

into an aristocratic family, now an inmate of a home blind in Moeckelsburg. "And never received even a 'th' from the German governm

On this score reporter Schmieding asked German Minister Interior, Genschen, three questions. Has the German go done anything to compensate people for what they have done? "The government is debating this very issue," he replied. "What form will this compensation take? This is not yet clear. But the impression that many who did not forget their friends in times of need are too selfish, thus, can will probably take matter. When does he think this forthcoming? "I don't know certainly by the end of the parliamentary session."

At this point Schmieding the camera full face and said: "This interview was made of last year. Since then, this matter has moved."

Ide Ehre, a Jewish actress in Hamburg, expressed the feelings of those who had defied and helped Jews ought to be honored. "They had to live in the shadow of the time and their story and call them names, and to demonstrate courage to others."

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The importance of getting to know Arabs as people A BELATED ACQUAINTANCE

THE recent television programme, in which young Israeli Jews expressed their views on Arabs was, in my opinion, painful, in bad taste, and wrongly conceived. Dealing with a delicate theme, the programme served only to show how abstract and inadequate our knowledge of the Arabs has become. I cannot be the only viewer who found it embarrassing.

As a result of my personal reaction, I decided to visit some Arab villages, and try to establish contact with the people in the simplest, human way. I wanted to see how I, a Jew who has lived in this country for 40 years — and who worked closely with Arabs during the pre-State period — would be received. Even with the well-known tradition of Arab hospitality, how would the villagers react in this difficult political period? Would they be tactful? Or would they be open-minded and ready to talk about their problems?

My experiences turned out to be extraordinary. Thanks to that preposterous television programme on the "preposterous theme of 'To Love or to Hate the Arabs?'" I had the opportunity to rediscover, after so many years, the region around Ramallah — the villages of Kubebe, Biddu, Katsana, Beit Ynan.

To anyone who has not spent time walking in this incredibly beautiful landscape — and I must assume that this applies to most Israelis — I can only say that the surroundings are uniquely and peacefully beautiful. And as one who has studied architecture, I was full of admiration for the perfectly suited style, achieved with the knowledge of centuries, with which these villages are built along the mountain curves. The houses interlace with each other, with terraces that are family centres during the summer, and during the winter serve as a sophisticated system for gathering rainwater. The pastoral beauty of the surrounding vineyards and olive groves has, of course, a purely romantic and aesthetic appeal; but in the urban surroundings which we have built for ourselves, nobody can deny that we have, perhaps unnecessarily, lost a tremendous value. It is one which many Arabs today still treasure — though in many village houses, the women have to walk as far as three kilometres to bring water home.

As for the people I met: during a late afternoon walk, I encountered a young man and began to ask him about himself, where he works, what his father does. After a short while he very shyly asked me whether I would come to his father's house to have a cup of coffee and to see for myself.

He lived in the village of Biddu, in a very poor and small two-room house with his mother, father, and nine siblings. I was given the only chair — a plastic affair — and the rest sat on broken-down straw stools. The family was delighted. One child went to fetch grapes, and all of them began chatting with me, asking questions and answering mine. The mother sat alone in one corner cleaning vegetables for supper.

"Why don't you help your mother?" I asked one of the daughters. Laughing — all of them were practically always smiling — she hurried to help her mother. I was asked all about the wonders of Tel Aviv — the zoo, the big shops, the Shalom Tower. Proudly, they showed me their garden — although poor, they probably have better fruit and vegetables than many of us have had this year. There is enough ground to build houses for the children when the time comes. Only the eldest son is working — sometimes locally, sometimes in Jerusalem.

I stayed overnight at the Franciscan Hospice at Kubebe, a most pleasant place which I highly recommend; other guests included a few Israelis, and a wedding party from Ramallah. Starting out early the next morning, I was rewarded by an unforgettable walk at sunrise through the hills. Some three kilometres away, I came to the village of Beit Ynan, where I met some young people and asked for the local coffee house. One young man insisted that I come instead to his home.

PERSONAL OPINION • F. B. SCHWARZ

This time I found a more prosperous, well-built house. Although it was still early, the father was already on the terrace smoking a pipe surrounded by all the children — I counted eleven. "Where is your mother?" I asked, and was told that she was in hospital — Augusta Victoria — for the birth of the twelfth child. Understandably, they were not in the least concerned about this event, and were simply waiting for her return, by taxi, with the new baby.

The eldest son in this family works as a waiter in Jerusalem as do two cousins from the same village. As far as I could see, he was pleased with his job. He is to be married next year, and I asked where he will live. "Oh, I'm already starting to build my house, among the vine-

yards at the entrance to the village," he said. By and large, these young Arab couples do not have the housing problems which our children have. I was most interested in coming face to face with this closely knit family-unit "clan." This young man dreams of going to Netanya to work as a waiter, but his parents are against it: "Too far from home, not right for a young man, what with all those tourists."

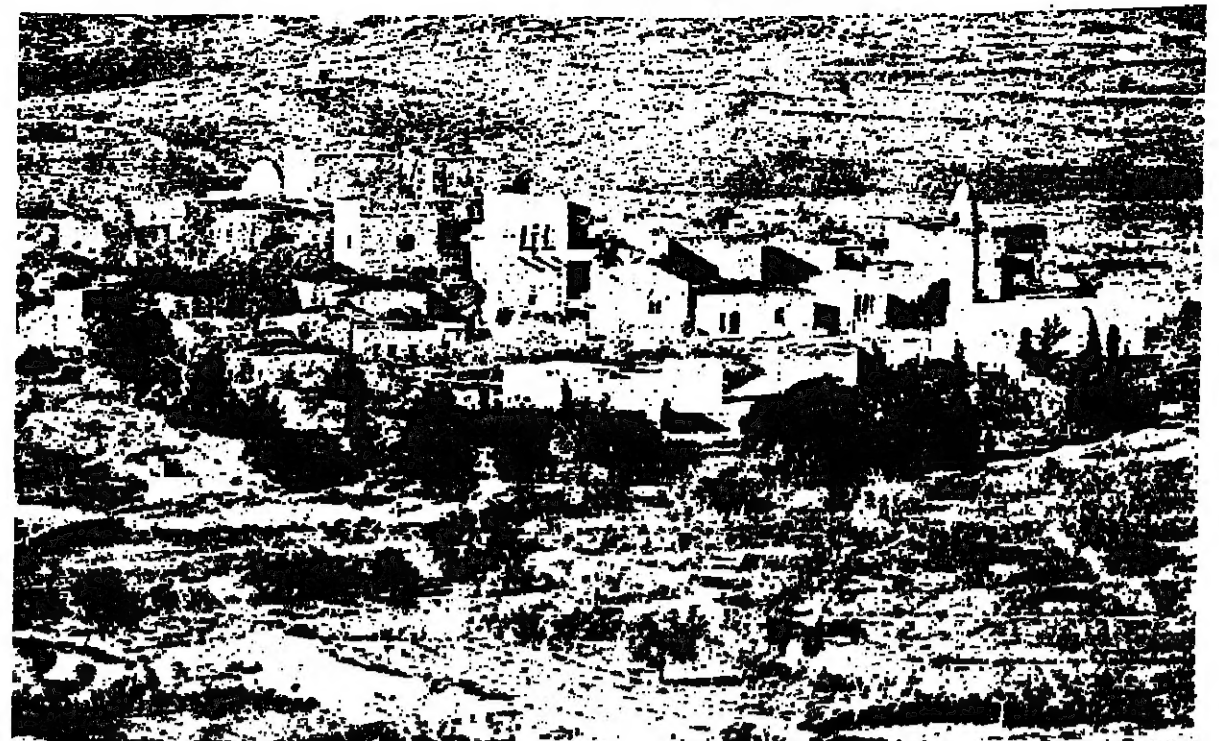
The next house I visited attracted me by its extraordinary architecture — it must once have been almost a little palace rich in stones and columns, but in a dilapidated condition. Here the head of the household was a teacher, and he immediately invited me in when I expressed an interest in his house. Going upstairs — the stairs had no railing — I found again a closely-knit family of six children, aged from one to nine, with a very handsome mother. She at once served coffee and grapes — again, plentiful and delicious from the garden. The room was immaculate, though the entire family live together in this one room.

The father, a man of 33, began to talk right away about his circumstances, speaking in quite good English. "I am wait-

ing for better times," he said. He was, incidentally, the only person I met who spoke of the family's plight in terms of their flight in 1948, from Ramle, where they owned property. He is interested in history, showed me his books, and spoke intelligently yet without hate of the plight of his family, and the "troubles of '67," both of which he accepts as facts. His main wish is to get his land back.

He also described the "miserable medical conditions." There are no doctors in any of these villages, and he complained of the treatment at St. John's Hospital as "a hundred in line at the clinic, no thorough examinations." I stayed for over an hour, and he made me promise to return for another visit, this time with my family. There was no one, in fact, who did not ask me to come again, and I had the feeling that they meant it and were pleased by the contact.

These and other small encounters — set in motion, as I have explained, by the television programme which I found so inappropriate and so abstract — convinced me of how important it is to know our neighbours as they are, free in their own homes. They spoke not once of "hate"; they spoke with interest and love. The television discussion was out of place and not to the point.



A typical Arab village north of Jerusalem, "built along the mountain curves," taken by telescopic lens from the top of Nebi Samwil.

The point is that our neighbours are people like you and me.

This is what our young people must be given a chance to realize and it is something that has been sadly neglected. It is not enough that part of the Arab population goes on organized trips to the Tel Aviv Zoo. We must go to them, with a desire to communicate with them. (In fact, Arabs are consistently more open to contacts with Jews, whenever such occasions are presented, and

show more interest in such encounters, than do their opposite numbers, the Jews.)

If television is, indeed, our most effective medium of communication then let a team go into a village — if such processes are now necessary — and let a group of our children play for a whole day with a group of Arab children, participate in a classroom, play games with them. One of the most touching sights I saw was a little Arab

boy with his pet sheep, which followed him around like Mary's lamb and was obviously the child's pride and joy.

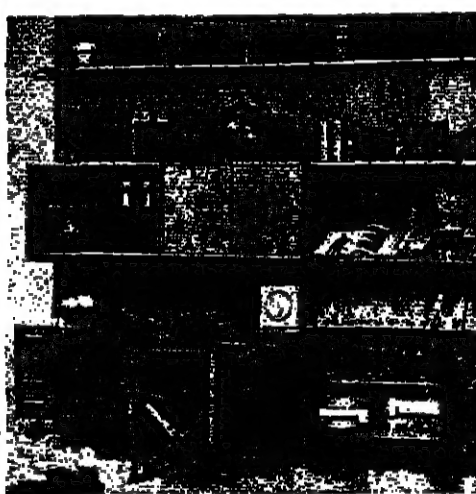
Then the "Arab" will no longer be an abstraction; and then we will not need our learned commentators and moderators to fill up a television programme with talk for yet another evening.

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The political, economic and social achievements which have been recorded are the result of a happy combination of responsibility towards the State and concern for the worker. This combination is fundamental to the Labour Movement and a basic principle guiding the actions of the Ma'arach in national and Histadrut affairs.

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Every vote given to the opponents of the Ma'arach in the Histadrut — to the artificial Likud, the right-wing anti-labour factions, and the remnants of the left-wing parties — is a vote harmful to the Histadrut. Tomorrow is the day of decision: you and the State need a strong Histadrut.

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For 10 days aboard the 10,000-ton liner Marco Polo, marine biologists, zoologists, geologists, botanists, ecologists and geophysicists examined, probed and talked about the reef, its structure and its future.

They delivered a total of 150 scientific papers as the ship cruised nearly 5,000 kilometres up and down the Queensland coast, and went ashore on lonely coral cays, uninhabited islands and outlying reef formations. They scuba-dived, snorkelled, peered through glass-bottomed boats and sifted for marine specimens along the shorelines.

The International Symposium on Coral Reefs, the largest of its kind yet held, attracted delegates from 14 foreign countries, Israel among them. A spokesman for the symposium, Dr. Patricia Mather of the University of Queensland, Brisbane, said that the symposium had opened a new era in coral reef science.

"The coral reef, in any part of the world, is one of the most productive biological systems known to man — and one of the least understood," she said.

The Great Barrier Reef — covering an area of over 200,000 sq. km. and the world's greatest system of coral reefs — is acknowledged as a tremendous untapped source of life-saving drugs and food. Its incredible variety of marine life is still comparatively unfathomed and scientists expect that, in years to come, it will yield many more secrets in the fields of biomedicine and pharmacology.

The area already supports a major tourist industry on 15 resort islands. Royal Commissions set up by the Federal and State Governments have lately been assessing the likely effects of an oil industry; and a joint government committee has been seeking information on the Crown of Thorns starfish which has been reported in destructive plague proportions among northern reef areas.



On Lizard Island, off Queensland, a group of scuba-diving scientists prepare their gear. At right is Dr. Yossi Loya of Tel Aviv University's Zoology Department.

Are minerals being used up too fast?

BARREL SCRAPING OR HORN OF PLENTY?

by MAX WILDE

GENEVA (Otna). — SHARP CONTROVERSY has broken out among scientists about the rate at which the world is consuming mineral resources. One side says metals such as copper, aluminium and iron will have to be rationed and then gradually withdrawn from use, with a crisis point being reached at the end of this century. Other experts, some of them working for the United Nations, maintain that there is no shortage in sight.

John Carman, a UN technical adviser, has declared that "not only are mineral resources far from being depleted, they renew themselves at least in part all the time. The oceans can be likened to giant chemical cauldrons constantly precipitating minerals which accumulate in the form of deep sea nodules. They constitute a rich and so far unexploited reservoir of mineral wealth."

In addition, says Mr. Carman, the whole crust of the earth which can be exploited to a depth of several miles, is believed to be extraordinarily rich in mineral deposits of all types. One cubic mile of rock is estimated to contain some 620,000 tons of copper, close to 900,000 tons of nickel, almost 1,000 million tons of aluminium, and other ores in similar quantities.

But the greatest faith is in mineral resources of the sea. One expert has estimated that the Pacific Ocean nodules contain enough copper, nickel and titanium to meet, for example, America's consumption need for thousands of years ahead.

The opposite view is argued by Amory B. Lovins, an American consultant of "Friends of the Earth." He says metallic ores now being rapidly depleted were formed by rare geological accidents in the remote

past and are being replenished far more slowly than they are being extracted. Most metals, excluding the common structural metals such as iron, aluminium, magnesium and titanium, are from 100 to 10,000 times more concentrated in the ores now being mined than in average rock.

He claims that for many metals the gap in grade between modern ores and plain rock is abrupt and not filled by significant amounts of progressively poorer deposits. And so, once the high-grade deposits are exhausted — for many metals at present trends in a matter of decades, for others nearer a century or two — we shall have to mine barren rock at a thousands times the present energy cost of mining copper.

"So that Cornucopian Carman's cut-throat Utopia is just not on."

Mr. Lovins concedes that further considerable ore deposits are likely to be found, if only because mining companies are devoting a substantial and rising fraction of their income to exploration. But new discoveries (he warns) can usually buy only a few decades' grace, not the passport to plenty: "If the use of an average metal doubles every fourteen years — as is approximately the case — then doubling world reserves of that metal will buy 14 years."

Oil and gas are a good case in point: the longer new discoveries can hold down prices, the faster the onset of eventual security and the fewer the options then remaining. Indeed, some countries, such as Kuwait, have already realised that their mineral assets will appreciate fastest in the ground — without storage charges and have accordingly limited their extraction rates. Such a policy will not make its citizens quite as rich this year, but it will

make their children far richer.

Other countries are likely to follow suit and, in this connection the question of geographical distribution of mineral deposits is crucial, according to Mr. Lovins. For example, China controls about three-quarters of the world's known deposits of tungsten and half of the antimony; Spain, one third of the mercury; South Africa, three-quarters of the chromium and nearly half of the gold and platinum; while the USSR has well over half the coal. These countries can be expected to exploit such advantages to the full and, in Mr. Lovins' view, "the sooner they do so, the sooner the rich countries' profligacy will stop, and the better everyone's chances of more rational resource use."

As for the sea, Mr. Lovins says that the costs of recovery by dredging will be higher than for land operations and, among what is likely to be produced, significant products will be relatively few.

How is the layman to decide who is right — the cheerful Mr. Carman, or the warning Mr. Lovins? He can't. But supposing Mr. Lovins is right, what can be done about it? He himself concludes: "We live in a dynamic world in which rates of change are rapid compared with inherent delays.

"Such a system is unstable. This instability can be reduced in three ways: a) reduce the rates of change; b) reduce those delays that are due to social rather than natural processes; this is called autocatalysis; c) develop long-range predictive planning that will enable us to circumvent delays by knowing today the effects that today's decisions will have decades hence." He adds, rather ruefully, however, that the mechanism for carrying out the third choice are not today observable.

COMPUTER ANALYSES DRUG OVERDOSES

MERIDGE, Mass. (AP). — Drug overdose patients are getting faster treatment through a new computer analysis system that quickly determines which of hundreds of drugs they have taken.

This system was developed at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology to pinpoint drugs not easily detected by conventional means. It reduces analysis waiting time as long as two days to two hours.

This means a better chance of survival through quicker treatment of an unconscious patient unable to tell authorities what drug he took.

Dr. Klaus Biemann, professor of chemistry at MIT, originally designed the computer system to analyze toxic compounds in moon soil recovered by Apollo astronauts. A smaller version of that system is to go to Mars in 1975 to search for organic compounds there.

Outlining his experience with the system in a paper presented last week in Chicago at the American Chemical Society annual meeting, Biemann said the method is an example of space age technology being put to practical use.

The system is composed of three components: a chemical separator called a gas chromatograph, an analysis device known as a mass spectrometer and a computer programmed to collect and sift through the data.

The computer is programmed to recognize more than 400 drugs, drug by-products broken down by the body, contaminants and natural body substances.

After a sample of the patient's blood, urine or other body fluids is treated, it is placed in the chromatograph where individual substances separate into gases.

The spectrometer breaks up gas molecules and sorts them according to how they behave in a magnetic field, with each substance leaving a unique molecular "fingerprint" which is scanned by the computer. The computer then matches this "fingerprint" with one in its memory to identify the substance.

After the analysis, the computer lists body fluid constituents in order of concentration.

"Usually the drug which is the most highly concentrated substance caused the overdose," Dr. Biemann said.

Warning on world food shortage

ROME (UPI). — Population growth must be slowed down so that the world can rally against the worst global food situation since the end of World War II, the U.N. Food and Agricultural Organization (FAO) said last week.

"The world food situation in 1973 is more difficult than at any time since the years immediately following the devastation of World War II," FAO Director-General Adedele H. Boerma said in the foreword to the draft of FAO's annual review.

"It seems fairly certain that, if the estimates for 1973 are confirmed, this is the first time since the Second World War that world production has actually declined."

Boerma said world agricultural and food production were estimated to have fallen by one per cent in 1972 as against three and four per cent gains in 1971.

"In the face of a constantly growing population, these events are extremely disquieting," he declared.

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Mr. Gal believed that part of the sharp increase in demand was due to the "unrealistic" prices paid for dairy products because of the high government subsidies, which make dairy food one of the cheapest on the market.

The Nag Rosh Hashana weekend (which starts on Wednesday evening) poses a logistics problem for the Dairy Marketing Board. Officials of the Board have asked the chief rabi to issue a special permit to let the dairies on the holiday to receive and process milk to avoid spoilage. Another request for a permit to sell milk products at special stations during the holiday because of the difficulty for some families (especially the larger ones) to stock up for five days.

Mart seeks 'Europe identity' compromise

priority on the European agenda. The diplomatic and preparatory work here last week by the ministers' deputies raised hopes that a compromise could be found and a joint position — no matter how modest — could be agreed. But today said France had made "rather important" policy shift toward accommodation with its allies and French Foreign Minister Michel Jobert had reversed an earlier declaration, saying a meeting of the ministers would be called.

The White House has said that, if the Europeans fail to reach agreement on a concept for the future of the alliance, Mr. Nixon might cancel his European trip, which is tentatively set for late October or early November.

The process began in April when Henry Kissinger, then Mr. Nixon's foreign policy adviser, said in a

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Australia, New Zealand revalue currencies

SYDNEY (UPI).—Australia and New Zealand yesterday revalued their currencies in an attempt to combat inflation.

Prime Minister Gough Whitlam announced the five per cent revaluation of the Australian dollar in Canberra. Treasurer Minister Norman Kirk announced the 10 per cent revaluation of the New Zealand dollar in Wellington.

New Zealand also placed a ban on the export of mutton and allocated extra import licences in an attempt to control rising prices. The economic package was announced at the end of a 30-day price freeze.

The New Zealand Reserve Bank will continue to adjust the exchange rate daily so as to maintain the new relationship with the currencies.

Palmon to carry out property payment law

"After close and careful examination of the present situation and prospects in these regards, it has been decided to appreciate the exchange value of the Australian dollar," Mr. Whitlam said in a statement.

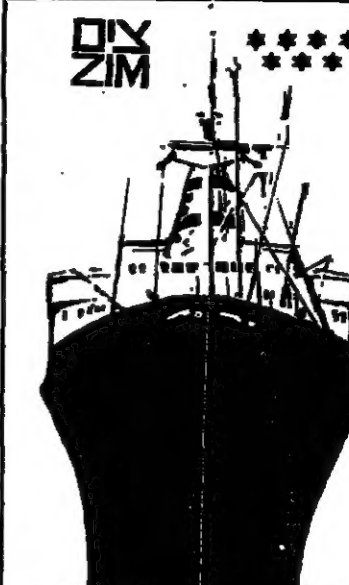
"The exchange rate change will establish a new formal parity of 23.8848 Australian dollars per ounce of fine gold. This represents an appreciation of five per cent. from the former parity," he said. The new rate will be one Australian dollar equals 1.4975 U.S. dollars.

The New Zealand dollar now equals 1.473 U.S. dollars.

Yehoshua Palmon, adviser on East Jerusalem to the municipality, has been placed in charge of the execution of the Absentees' Property Compensation Law. The Justice Minister has instructed him to draw up a working plan within the next few days.

The law, passed by the Knesset last June, went into force in July. It provides for the compensation of all Israeli residents — including those of East Jerusalem — who have not yet been compensated for property that passed into the hands of the Absentees' Property Custodian.

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CUBAN SWITCH

It is not often that Israelis find common ground with anti-Soviet Colonel Gaddafi, but they concurred with him when he complained that Fidel Castro should not have been admitted to the Algiers summit since Cuba cannot be called a non-aligned country. Although he did not begin his charismatic career as a full-blown Communist, Castro has been toting the Moscow line for many years, mainly because he is in total economic bondage to the Soviet Union. It is said that Cuba owes Russia something in the neighborhood of a million dollars a day.

However, until his surprise announcement in Algiers yesterday that he will sever diplomatic relations with Israel, Castro had maintained some independence of his Soviet paymasters in pursuing his own path as regards ties with Israel after the Six Day War. Despite constant pressure from Moscow, Castro stuck to his principles in this matter. He based his stand on the fact that, following President Kennedy's establishment of the Alliance for Progress, the Council of the Organization of American States had voted to expel Cuba in February 1962 on purely political grounds. Having himself been the victim of unilateral action of this kind, Castro reiterated categorically, he would not take unilateral action to break relations with any country that had not harmed Cuba and that this included Israel.

Although the Party newspaper, "Granma" — the country's only morning journal — recently voiced anti-Israel sentiments in keeping with instructions from Moscow, the ordinary Cuban — and very often even

those in political office — expressed admiration for Israel's achievements. Castro himself has on several occasions invited Israeli experts to advise Cuba on agricultural matters such as citrus culture, drip irrigation and the increasing of the potato yield, even though the invitations were extended on a personal rather than a governmental basis.

During the last few years, it was reported that members of the Patah were being trained in Cuba, but these reports were not confirmed. It is true, however, that a delegation of Patah (headed by Abu Ayad) was invited to attend the Cuban independence celebrations in 1970 and received a warm and high-level welcome.

It is possible that Castro's declaration at Algiers was part of an effort to paper over the cracks in the non-aligned summit, but one would have wished Fidel had remained faithful to his oft-expressed principles.

It is to be hoped that the rupture of relations with Israel will not adversely affect Cuba's small remaining Jewish community, now reduced to about a thousand souls. Despite the Communist regime, the Jews have been able to live a free and open Jewish life in Cuba and all their institutions, ranging from synagogues to the Zionist movement, are fully active. In this respect, at least, Castro has remained true to his determination that Communism in Cuba would not be a copy of the Russian prototype, but would be "as Cuban as the palm-tree." It will be regretted that the Cuban palm-tree has now bowed its lofty head in the face of winds from the East.

ISRAEL PRESS

Terrorists vs. Arabs

Ha'aretz (non-party) says that the latest Palestinian terrorist episode, even more than the Khartoum incident, demonstrates the extent to which the terrorist movements jeopardize the very regimes that support them. Moreover, the fact that the escapee ran up against a solid wall of resistance on the part of Saudi Arabia, Kuwait and Jordan shows it is indeed possible to say "no." France and the other West European countries would do well to take heed.

Al Hanihmar (Mapam) notes "the degeneration of an Arab national liberation movement which had embraced terrorism as its sole weapon. Unable to strike effectively at Israel, it is turning to targets within the Arab camp itself. On the other hand, far from diminishing the danger, this new stage of Arab terrorism may prove more insane than ever before, and Israel must remain on the alert."

Hatzofe (National Religious) says President Nixon's warning to the Arabs not to brandish their oil as a political weapon has been backed

up by his recently announced plan to free the U.S. of dependence on foreign oil suppliers altogether. On the other hand, the renewed peace initiative will call for some concrete proposals on Israel's part, and will put its foreign policy to the test.

Davar (Histadrut) says that despite differences that may arise from time to time, Israel's Labour Alignment is united in its creed and unity of purpose, and both of these differ radically from those of the rightist camp. Accordingly, this time the voter has a concrete and clearly defined choice.

She'arim (Poalei Agudat Yisrael) traces the history of the Rightist camp in Israel, which was made up of two disparate elements — Revisionists and Capitalists. Both elements have in effect had the carpet pulled out from under them — one by the Six Day War, the other by the fact that Israel's brand of socialism is very mild indeed. The paper concludes that only co-optation into the Government coalition can save the ad hoc merger between them.

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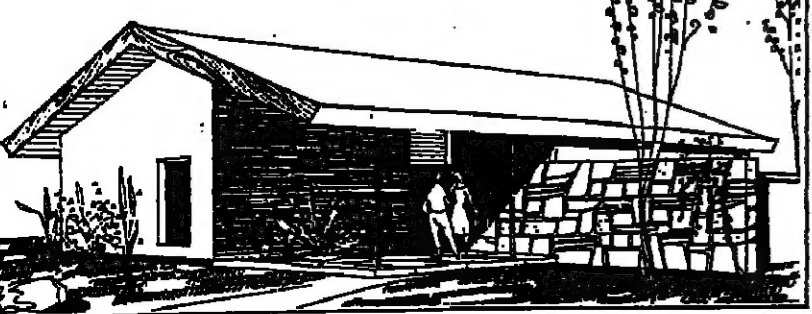
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Readers' letters

Nurses' strike is justified

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post
Sir, — In a recent newspaper interview, Dr. Pinhas Koren, Director of the Beilinson Hospital, stated, among other things, that the strike of the operating theatre nurses has resulted in danger to seriously ill patients.

It is strange, to say the least, that only a few short weeks ago, during the doctors' strike which lasted for some three weeks, Dr. Koren did not issue a similar warning.

It has been our experience, during the few days of this strike, that every case in which surgeons found it necessary or advisable to operate, they were assisted with the same devotion, expertise and detailed care which theatre nurses usually apply to their work. I have no doubt that the same is true at the Beilinson

Hospital and, in fact, at every other hospital in the country.

The justice of the present strike is well known to every surgeon in Israel, and requires no further elucidation. However one cannot help but notice how little concern is given to such small groups as the operating theatre nurses, whatever their importance to the life and health of the country, so that repeated requests for a hearing are all but ignored. In a certain sense, it is both fortunate and unfortunate that devotion to their work does not permit their strike to be more effective.

NATHAN J. SALTZ, M.D.
Professor and Chairman
Departments of Surgery
Hadassah Medical Organisation
Jerusalem, September 4.

Herut's Likud negotiating team

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — At a press conference which Mr. Ariel Sharon and I held yesterday, your correspondent, Mr. Mark Segal, asked me: Is the non-inclusion of Dr. Shimon Halevi in the negotiating team a punishment for his stand on representational problems on the Likud list? I replied that his information did not conform with the facts. The truth is that the Gahal Executive had decided that morning to set up a single small committee to iron out the two committees which had existed formerly. As a result, the representation of Herut as well as that of the Liberal Party on the committee was reduced. Dr. Halevi was not included in the small delegation which met only twice, but was asked to participate in the negotiating committee which is dealing with social and economic problems, of which he had not been a member prior to this.

At the end of the press conference, I spoke with Mr. Segal personally and he told me that the master was clear to him and his question had resulted from lack of information. I was therefore surprised to read in your paper his distorted report, notwithstanding his promise.

H. LANDAU, M.K.
Tel Aviv, September 6.

Mark Segal comments:

Mr. Landau omitted my full question which was formed of two parts: A. Would the exclusion of Dr. Halevi from the negotiating team because of his independent stand, namely being pro-Likud in the Herut executive, mean his exclusion from the Herut Knesset list? This aroused Mr. Landau's ire and strong protest to the contrary.

B. My other question concerned the replacement of Dr. Halevi by Dr. Bader, the most consistent opponent of the union: Did this indicate the Herut leadership would cause delaying tactics in the ensuing negotiations? This question was not answered.

I learned later in the day that Mr. Bader personally phoned Dr. Halevi in Jerusalem, having heard that his decision to drop Dr. Halevi from the team had caused a stir within his own party and in the Liberal Party, and he advised Dr. Halevi that he was appointing him "my personal representative in the drafting committee" on the social policy in the negotiations on the platform. I have since learned that in the Friday negotiations, Dr. Halevi was again excluded from the Herut negotiating group and has not been invited to any of the subsequent deliberations. Neither was Mr. Ezer Weizman, another strong supporter of the Likud list.

Ramat Gan Election propaganda

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — As the son of the late Avraham Krinitzi, I was shocked to see on our billboards the picture of my late father together with that of Dr. Israel Peled, with a caption to the effect that my father brought Dr. Peled into the Municipality 13 years ago and knew what he was doing.

I must regretfully accuse Dr. Peled of lack of human and public feeling in daring to use the picture of my late father in his election campaign for propaganda purposes. The matter is even more aggravating in view of Dr. Peled's behaviour during his years in office, when he ignored the memory of Avraham Krinitzi, who was the father of Ramat Gan and one of its founders; he even did not find it necessary to mention my father at the opening of the World Maccabiah in the very stadium he built.

Now, with the campaign starting, Dr. Peled must get elected for the first time to the mayoralty, since he originally inherited the post on the death of my father; yet he dares to use my father's name and picture, although he tried to erase him from the history of Ramat Gan.

Moreover, I feel it my duty to state publicly that Dr. Peled was not one of the close collaborators of my late father, nor did he enjoy his confidence, nor was he even consulted about municipal problems.

Dr. Peled will be well advised to desist immediately from using my late father's picture and name for electoral purposes, because this behaviour hurts the feelings of many of Ramat Gan's citizens, and the members of his family in particular.

YEHUDA KRINITZI
Ramat Gan, August 30.

Pension schemes for immigrants

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — I am a new immigrant anxious to secure a pension after I retire from work at the age of 65. I believe that this is and should be the basic right of every person. I wrote to Mifkadim to find out what to do to join the pension scheme and received the reply that I could not join on an individual basis, but only in a group. Is this the reply I should have expected from a pension scheme managed and controlled by a socialist union?

Moreover, in a real democracy, should a nation-wide pension scheme be run and controlled by a union and not by the Government?

K. HILLEBRAND
Ramat Gan, August 8.

The Ministry of Finance replies:

In Israel, as in other countries, there are occupational pension schemes to supplement social security pensions.

In a certain sense, we have made more progress in this field than other countries: occupational pension plans are run by seven central pen-

sion funds under the authority of the Histadrut.

This does not change their basic nature of occupational pension schemes set up under work agreements between the company and the union. Therefore, individual workers can only enjoy the advantages of supplementary pension schemes if there is such a scheme in operation in the company where they are employed.

The Histadrut pension funds cover over 50 per cent of salaried workers. Mifkadim covers less than a third of salaried workers. Mr. Hillebrand is thus wrong in assuming that it is a nation-wide pension scheme.

Insofar as there is no occupational pension scheme in the company where Mr. Hillebrand works, he can join one of the many retirement saving schemes run by banks and insurance companies to which the Government also grants certain income tax benefits.

Y. PICKER, in charge of Savings and Insurance
Jerusalem, August 30.

THE "KOREN" BIBLE

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — With reference to your report, "First Pages of Hebrew University Bible issued" (August 16), I wish to point out that the Hebrew text is photographed from the "Koren" Bible after the necessary minor alterations according to the Aram-Zova manuscript were put in.

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E. KOREN
Koren Publisher Jerusalem Ltd.
Jerusalem, August 19.

DIG AT TEL KASSILA

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — With reference to your article "Philistine Couch-shield 'Tumult' at Tel Kassi" (August 16), I wish to point out that Dr. Amihai Mazar is an assistant on the teaching staff of the Hebrew University's Institute of Archaeology which is also sponsoring the dig at Tel Kassi.

BEN ZION MUSHKIN
Press Officer
The Hebrew University
Jerusalem, September 4.

Probers fear Watergate backlash Nixon feels safer, but is still threatened

By **MICHAEL DAVE**

WASHINGTON (Gns). — With Congress now back from the summer recess, a new political season is opening in Washington. President Nixon, sniffling the air, probably feels a little more secure than he did when the holiday started, but he must still smell danger.

On the plus side, his standing has gone up slightly in the polls, presumably as a result of his mid-August press conference, the first since March 15. People were beginning to think that he was too fearful to face the press but he keyed himself up to it and did not do himself any damage and evidently did himself a bit of good. He failed to answer satisfactorily the questions about Watergate, but he kept his temper and the nation was able to see that he was alive and well and in his right mind. The President's strengthened sense of security was demonstrated at his press conference last week.

There is evidence that, during the holidays, interest in the whole Watergate scandal has subsided. After months of pressure and regular revelations of scandals, there has been a lull. Most politicians here seem to think that, provided there are no more big surprises, public interest at least in the details of Watergate will continue to decline. Back home, in their constituencies, Congressmen and Senators found more concern about inflation than about scandals.

As a result, the Senate Watergate committee will now speed up its hearings. None of the seven Senators on the committee wants to become a victim of a public backlash. Each of them has acquired fame and political advantage from the daily appearances on television and none of them wants to risk these benefits. Like these Senators, the three big television networks are also thinking that they must be careful not to overdo Watergate in the autumn.

More convincing

Besides, Mr. Nixon can comfort himself with the thought that his Administration now looks more convincing than it has for some time. He has a respected new Secretary of State, Dr. Henry Kissinger, and capable new heads of the Defence Department, the Justice Department, the Central Intelligence Agency and the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

In the White House, his post-Watergate group of advisers are settling down and have begun to make themselves available for the occasional talk to journalists. In the old days, the President's chief of staff, H.R. Haldeman, rarely bothered even to tell his secretary to return reporters' telephone calls and say he wouldn't see them.

Dr. Kissinger has announced that he proposes to inaugurate a new era of consultation with the Congress on foreign policy; and the President's two main domestic policy advisers, who are both old hands at oiling the relations between the White House and Capitol Hill, are being equally conciliatory.

But President Nixon is still in deep trouble. Inflation rages away. He is still a long way from having regained public trust. Very few Americans believe that he has told them the truth about Watergate. He keeps saying, for instance, that he knew nothing of what had been going on among his entourage until March 21 this year. As soon as he knew, he says, he acted and began intensive investigations. But he has been unable to point to one single piece of evidence to support this claim. All the evidence, indeed, is the other way.

It is unlikely, besides, that the official information recently published about the President's private real estate dealings has helped his reputation. Under strong pressure from the press and some congressmen, the White House has produced detailed figures about the two Nixon homes in Florida and California. Originally, when the matter was first raised, the White House lied about the figures and concealed the methods the President used to buy the houses. It now turns out that he depended heavily on the generosity of two extremely rich new friends to finance the purchase of houses he could not have afforded on his own. Leader-writers all over the country have pointed out that dependence on two millionaires does not seem appropriate for a President who has constantly, in the past, lectured the American public about the virtues of self-reliance.

More trouble

Mr. Nixon is in trouble, too, over the famous White House tapes, and may be in much worse trouble. A Federal judge has ruled that the President should hand over the tapes of certain of his conversations that relate to Watergate. The President has appealed against this decision. The appeals court in question is notably liberal: a majority of its members were appointed by the Democrats. This court, too, may well come out against Mr. Nixon. Eventually, the dispute will probably go to the Supreme Court.

Suppose the Supreme Court rules that Nixon must hand over the tapes? He says he will obey the Court if it hands down what he calls a "definitive" decision. But he himself will decide whether the decision is definitive or not.

Mr. Nixon is arguing that he is refusing to hand over the tapes on principle: a President must preserve the absolute confidentiality of his conversations. Not many people seem to take this argument seriously. The judge did not accept it. The President himself breached it when Mr. Haldeman, after he had ceased to be a public official, was encouraged to listen to the tape of a Presidential conversation at which he, Mr. Haldeman, had not been present.

Shakiness

The shakiness of the President's posture is that he is telling everyone to leave Watergate to the courts while himself refusing to cooperate with them. But the crisis will come if the Supreme Court rules that he should hand over the tapes and he refuses to obey. He might well do so since it seems likely that the reason he hasn't handed them over



Nixon and Agnew in happier times.

already is that he fears their contents could destroy him. The Supreme Court has no sanctions that it can apply to a disobedient President. But the Senate could impeach him. In a head-on conflict between the President and the Supreme Court it might be driven to do so.

There are other legal processes grinding along that are bound to wound the President. The special will be a severe blow to Watergate prosecutor, Archibald Cox, a Harvard professor, now has 37 full-time lawyers working for him, all of them high-powered. Mr. Cox is determined to ensure that justice is done, and seen to be done. So Mr. Nixon is in the indictment and criminal trials stronger position than he arising from Mr. Cox's work may drag on for years.

Finally, there is Vice-President Spiro Agnew. The investigation into alleged bribery, extortion and conspiracy in connection with the contracts in connection with the Agnew gubernatorial campaign, is evidently on its way. No one quite knows of the investigation, but papers keep printing sounding stories and Mr. Agnew keeps protesting his innocence. The special will be a severe blow to Watergate prosecutor, Archibald Cox, a Harvard professor, now has 37 full-time lawyers working for him, all of them high-powered. Mr. Cox is determined to ensure that justice is done, and seen to be done. So Mr. Nixon is in the indictment and criminal trials stronger position than he arising from Mr. Cox's work may drag on for years.

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